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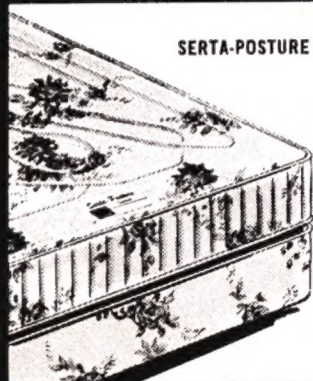
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This month we are delighted to introduce to our readers a new columnist, Bob Heuckeroth. Bob is probably familiar to many of you for he appears weekly (Tuesday, 1:30 p.m.) on Bucks County's own radio station, WBUX. Bob's program, on which he does historical vignettes, is called *Gateway to the Past*, and we unashamedly stole that title for his new column in *Panorama*.



Bob Heuckeroth

Bob, a native of Quakertown, lives there with his wife and two children. We are very pleased to add him to our staff and look forward to many more interesting articles.

BUCKS COUNTY SETTLER

by

Virginia Castleton

The keepers of your land left a heritage. As a landowner, your interest must be aroused by thoughts of those who came before you, and labored to bring the strange wilderness to a place of easier living.

Step back in history; go back in time and see what your land was before you came. For there was a beginning; a lonely splendor that gazed in all directions and saw the first family alight from its wagon. The family stared back, and drank in the sight of trees so tall they seemed to people the skies. Beyond the stand of forests a splashing stream coursed rapidly by. It was but one leap over the racing water to the thick meadow grass which lay beyond.

This was indeed Eden, Beulah Land, and the land of milk and honey, with all its promises. Promise, coupled with work, has produced your land. Stand back and close your eyes only for a moment. There stood the forest there the herd of deer feeding untended and aloof, and there the vastness of the hills. There ran the swift river that would bring people to create a homeland and over it all blazed the warm suns that nurtured the land.

Now, look around you. The hills slope upward and downward as ever. Forests spray color around you still, and reach as always for the skies. The river continues in its movement, but now one can go over it as well as down its charging ways.

You are here in your land as was the first settler. He gazed and saw the offerings, and through him and his efforts, he brought the same land to you.

Those were not easy days despite the beauty and promise. In his time the need for hurried shelter came

first. One's family had to be tucked into a lean-to, or perhaps, with luck, there was time to build a cabin. Then there was land to clear, grain to plant, and shelter to build for animals. That accomplished, others came and saw. Another homestead grew, and another. And now your community began.

It was character building at its best. It was courage, desire, and desperation that brought the people who lived on your land before you. It was a new land with new ways. The climate was harsh at times to those who had come from misty temperate lands. There were illnesses, and no doctors. Laboring through the blistering summer days, these newcomers sought relief from over-exertion in quick plunges into the cold streams that laced their land, and promptly came down with maladies. Those who survived the agues, fever and chills swore they were saved by the Grace of God, and a bottle of rum. Rum was esteemed necessary for the sick as nearly as much as for the well. A dram, either raw, sweetened, or with wormwood or rue juice was counted a great healer.

There were no conveniences for making the beer that would keep in hot weather, so the settlers adopted the practice of the laboring people in tropical lands, and drank rum. It was served at house raisings, while "mixed and stewed spirits" were passed around at funerals.

There was little time for pleasure in Penn's Woods. Necessity drove the occupants to brutal field work. Frolic was all the more appreciated when it came. As new settlers moved into the area there were more cabins to raise, more crops to gather. The lonely pioneers learned to mix a little pleasure with their work. Friends and neighbors willingly came to raisings of houses and barns, to grub, to chop and roll logs. After many hands had hoisted high the hewn logs, huge kettles simmered

on burnt orange fires. Stews with tasty chunks of meat were ladled into waiting bowls. Sweetened and spiced Indian puddings made from cornmeal were consumed. Then, for the men, rum was again passed around. A new log cabin was completed, and another family assured of shelter.

Soon there would be a wedding. The stalwart son of a new settler would catch the eye of a flouncy maiden. Courtship would be wedged between field work for the boy and the household chores of the jubilant girl. The practical time for a wedding was after the crops were in. Relatives, friends, and neighbors usually made up a lively group of between one and two hundred people. Participants travelled far for their pleasure in those days. Once assembled, the wedding party would continue for at least two days. By its social aspects, what better opportunity to insure other weddings?

Then next came birth. Scarcity or lack of doctors drew many women to the event. Upon arrival, the new pioneer baby was rolled into linen swathes, and burdened with so many coverings he could scarcely breathe. If the newcomer proved fretful or ailing, he was promptly dosed with spirit and water stewed with spices. If he survived this mixture, and other treatments, this new American would soon find his place in the fields. With luck, there would be many brothers and sisters working beside him in time.

When wheat and rye grew thick and tall on this new land, the men watched it and called the living good. Both men and women then took to the fields and cut with sickles the abundance they fought for. They became so dexterous in the use of the sickle that in 1744, 20 acres of wheat were cut and shocked in half a day in Solebury. This was the land of promise. When new, the land produced good crops of rye and wheat, from 15 to 30 bushels an acre, hand-sown, tended and harvested.

Meals improved as a family settled in and nurtured their land. For breakfast there was milk, boiled and thickened, bread made in the constantly glowing fireplace, and pie containing berries from the fields, or fruits from the trees. For dinner, one could enjoy pork, or bacon with sauce, wheat flour pudding or dumplings, and butter and molasses. Supper was more simple and usually kept to mush, or hominy, with milk and honey.

When milk was scarce during calving season, small-beer would be thickened with wheat flour and an egg. In time, there was cider from the productive apple trees the first pioneer had planted.

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The bouffant floral headpiece is made of silk illusion. Priced — \$30.

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Notes by the Publisher*

We visited the Business Show in New York a month or so ago. Since we were in the market for a typewriter for the Panorama office in Doylestown and a portable for our home in Plumstead, we looked at the latest ones available. We have an IBM Executive at the office and think of *that* as the standard. But \$600 plus was not what we had in mind for these particular purposes. Our Editor settled on an Olympia with kookie keys known in the typographer's trade as *sorts* — paragraph signs brackets, infinity symbols, and other stuff for our typesetter to trip her eyelashes on. We settled on the new Olivetti *Praxis 48*. We ordered them both from Dick Rewalt of the Stevenson Agency (a Panorama advertiser, of course!) and took delivery before Christmas.

It's real cool (our teenagers tell us that words like *cool* and *man* are no longer *in*, but we tend to run a little behind in some things!). The keys are tiny but with lots of space around each so our pudgy pinkies don't hit two at once. Of course if we do, there's an electrical interlock that saves the day. There are six automatic keys; hold them down and the action repeats like crazy. It tabs backwards for automatic paragraph indentation; it half-spaces vertically and horizontally in case you like a tight squeeze, and, instead of a bell at the end of the line, it just stops. If you *must* go on, it backspaces automatically as you release the margin, so you are where you would have been if you hadn't!

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Like most residents of Bucks County we are not a little terrified of the growth potential of our area. We picture living our declining — or even our reclining — years in a vast housing project consisting of Eastern Pennsylvania — all paved — or at least in which the relative areas covered by grass and pavement have been interchanged.

Added fuel for the nightmare was the year-end jumbo issue of *Life* magazine on the U. S. City. It didn't help any to have them use new infra-red color film which makes grass look pink. We felt no better after reading the silly piece on "What's to Come." The Urbo-

*Pied — Jumbled type. The mention of business firms, persons, products, and services in these columns is entirely gratuitous by the publisher, who has not been paid for them as advertisements.

mobiles will, it predicts, work like slot racers, with Century Cruisers driven by a privileged few who qualify, and prove sobriety by negotiating a serpentine access road. It was the Cornell Aeronautical Lab which thought up this gem along with the Modemixer, a downtown transfer point which not only accomodates "normal" vehicles, but features a dock for an Aquamotel, in which passengers sleep in detachable roomettes. But the real nightmare, as far as we are concerned, is the Princeton-inspired linear city which stretches across New Jersey like an infinite Penn Center. However, it all takes planning and money. And, at least as far as Bucks is concerned, whenever we have one, we usually don't have the other!

More sensible, but just as terrifying, in a scholarly sort of way is the tome called simply, *Megalopolis*. It's amazing how many planners have missed reading this competent result of years of research on trends in the Atlantic seaboard complex. In a more popular vein, yet penetrating in its insight is the broader picture-book treatment of the *United States* in the Life World Library. Written by Europeans, it adds up, as publisher Henry Luce says, "to a far more favorable verdict than would be given by a comparable group of indigenous American experts."

As a sample of this, you should read at least the article by Patrick O'Donovan on us as *The Practical Idealists*. He speaks of "the unexpected respect Americans accord the past. The international image of America is one of organized impatience. Away with the old, the obsolete and merely picturesque! In fact the American past is marvelously and extravagantly preserved." Thank you!

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The wonderful telephone company has done it again! Ma Bell is eager to convince us that rates are going down. But, for people supposed to be experts in the science of communications, they do a pretty poor job of story-telling. Enclosed with our December bill was a slip which read as follows:

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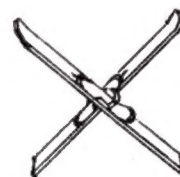
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BY BOB HEUCKEROTH

Before the first white man struck out from the small settlement of Philadelphia into the wilds of Bucks County, Quakertown was populated only by lumbering bears and howling wolves. In a few clearings were small Indian villages. Rattlesnakes were so numerous that the first settlers had to wrap their legs against the poisonous fangs.

Quakertown was the center of a large area called "The Great Swamp." As the early settlers moved to the area they realized that this name was not an apt description, for the land was good and rich. Soon the section was called "The Richlands" and today it is known as "Richland."

It is believed that Peter Lester, or Leister, a member of the Society of Friends, was the first settler, coming about the year 1710.

Many others followed him including Abraham Griffith (whose son Abraham Griffith, Jr., born prior to 1711, was probably the first white child born in "The Great Swamp."), Edward Foulke, Morris Morris, John Moore, Michael Atkinson, Edward Roberts, and Thomas Nixon. The hardy Germans joined the English Quakers about 1730. Henry Walp, Josua Richardson, John Klemmer, Bernard Steinback, Jacob Musselman, and



The intersection of Main and Broad Streets in the early 1900s. This was the location of the trolley station at one time. (Photo courtesy of Leonard White)

NOTES ON QUAKERTOWN

Samuel Yoder cleared the lands, built their log huts and their great barns.

The first tavern in Quakertown was constructed by Walter McCoolle in 1750 at what is now Broad and Main Streets. Today it is the Red Lion Inn. This was a regular stage stop from Philadelphia to Bethlehem.

Near this hotel is a small stone building which was erected by John Foulke in 1772. Tradition relates that behind this building, under a covering of straw, the Liberty Bell was hidden overnight during its secret trip to Allentown during the Revolution.

It is said that Aaron Burr spent some time in seclusion in "The Great Swamp." His cousin, Joseph Burr, had purchased 1,000 acres in Richland, and, after the fatal duel with Alexander Hamilton, Aaron Burr is said to have hidden at his cousin's home.

A member of the famous Doane outlaw band of Plumstead confessed, back in 1782, that he was with the outlaws when they robbed a tax

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The former Green Tree Inn on West Broad Street. Once a popular inn, it is now a private residence. (Photo by C. N. Detweiler)

Quakertown and Eastern Railroad's original No. 1 stands near Quakertown terminus about 1900. (Photo courtesy of Leonard White)





Quakertown and Eastern Railroad's gasoline engine propelled car circa 1910. D. John J. Ott, a director of the railroad, had hoped to restore freight service with this car. (Picture courtesy of David C. Augsburger)



The intersection of Broad and Hellertown circa 1920. (Picture courtesy Leonard White)



Sign at the entrance to Richland Friends Meeting. (Photo by C. N. Detweiler)

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collector in Quaker Town. They met, he said, in a piece of woods by the road, and then proceeded to Richardson's tavern. Richards, the tavern keeper, told them that this was the proper time to rob Smith, the collector, for he had a large amount of tax money. The information was wrong, however, and all the Doanes received for their trouble was one French crown.

A dramatic last minute reprieve from the already-constructed gallows was granted John Fries by President Adams. Fries, who plotted the well-known rebellion in an old log house then on the corner of Main and Broad Streets, was pardoned by President Adams and allowed to return to his family. During the height of the rebellion, it is said, 1,000 federal

Quakertown's first ambulance, 1929. (Photo courtesy of Leonard White)





East Broad Street circa 1931. (Photo courtesy of Leonard White)

soldiers, sent by the President to suppress the rebellion, were camped in Quakertown.

The third oldest library in the United States was established by the Quakers in 1795. Richland Library, now located in an old house on Main Street, houses many rare and valuable books and manuscripts.

In 1832 Quakertown was described as a small, neat town of a single street containing 40 dwellings, two stores, three taverns and a Quaker meeting house.

With the opening of the railroad in 1857, another village began to grow about a mile from old Quakertown. A hotel was constructed on the farms of Joel Roberts and John Strawn. This area soon became known as Richland Centre. In 1874 it was annexed by the Borough of Quakertown.



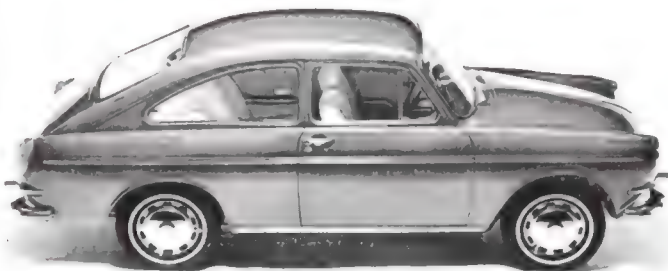
The Red Lion Inn, Broad and Main Streets, as it appeared before 1920. (Photo courtesy of Leonard White)



Red Lion Inn as it appears today. (Photo courtesy of C. Norman Detweiler)



Liberty Hall as it appeared in 1908. Tradition says the Liberty Bell was hidden here overnight. (Photo by C. N. Detweiler)



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LADYBIRD'S RIGHT WING

I suppose the first place anyone would look for glamour, action, excitement in the capital city is the White House. If there were *any* stories in town, dis mus' be de place.....AND IT WAS!!!!

Truly, a trip behind the gates of this beautiful estate may leave anyone in awe, but a look at the people behind those gates has given me the distinct feeling that the distaff side of our country is pretty darned well represented.

A warm, charming, intelligent, outgoing individual named Elizabeth Carpenter works behind those gates. She is Press Secretary to our First Lady and does a more than adequate job at this post. Her 16 yrs. experience as a newspaperwoman and her inherent interest in *everything* and *everybody* have given her the ability to understand a given situation very quickly and her reaction is immediate. Liz takes extreme delight in people and challenges and is the most amiable kind of proof that the Johnsons have a rare knack of surrounding themselves with knowledgeable, capable human beings.

Liz was born in Texas and attended the University there. She has been in newspaper work during most of her adult life and loves it. Though I was there to interview her, she started questioning me as a reporter would before I had a chance to ask my first question.

Way back in the days when Lyndon Johnson was a congressman, Liz Carpenter took an interest in his career, and having a nose for news, found herself calling on the local representative for a story. Thus a relationship began which would one day put her in a very high position at the White House.

In 1944, when Liz was married, Mr. Johnson was among those in attendance at the ceremony. He, apparently, was also following her career. She has watched him climb through the ranks to the top office this country affords and has enjoyed every minute of it.

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Her appointment to the post of Executive Assistant to Vice President Lyndon Johnson came as quite a jolt to some of Washington's old-timers, but Liz took it all in stride. She was the first woman ever to be awarded



Liz Carpenter

such a position, and, though she feels a certain amount of justifiable pride, there are no affectations here. She is witty, attractive, with the self-assurance it takes to be herself.

Liz made a speech recently to the American Society of Newspaper Editors and it was so filled with wit — such a revealing glimpse of her own personality — that I'd like to quote it in its entirety. The subject?

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LADYBIRD'S RIGHT WING

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We haven't had so much excitement since our last visitor — The Mayor of Selma.

"I accepted this speech tonight for two reasons. I like to live dangerously, and I was asked. By careful news management, I've arranged it so this audience is composed of two parts: those who are my personal guests, and those who worked on the speech.

"We're always delighted when you editors make this trip to your own pocket of poverty — your Job Corps in Washington. In fact, we don't even have to mark the date of this dinner on the calendar. It rolls around just when we've finished paying for the last.

"Our community action program for the press has many parts. We've been trying to enroll several columnists in a retraining program. In fact, a political drop-out recently joined the course in Arizona. Some of the White House press corps is taking remedial journalism. I don't need to tell you who the professor of the course is, but it looks like everyone is going to come through in a walk.

"Then, there is some thought to opening another Job Corps installation — Camp Newhouse at Syracuse, New York. This would be primarily for rehabilitating publishers who have been bought out. I can assure you that we are doing all we can for the press — the ill-fed, ill-housed, ill-clothed, underpaid press.

"And it isn't easy with all the changes they've been hurling at one Poverty Director Sargent Shriver. As you know, Mr. Shriver — our riches-to-rags man — has been charged by Congress with setting up offices in a posh, poverty palace. To silence this criticism, he has decided to move to the other side of the tracks — Rayburn Building.

"One thing editors need to know — Washington reporters have never been paid what they're worth. But, for heaven's sake, that's no reason to start cutting their salaries now.

"Certainly no one can say that this administration has had any poverty of news. In fact, we've had such an open-news policy that a group of Washington correspondents are urging the ASNE's Freedom of Information Committee to write a report entitled simply, 'STOP IT.'

"For years Washington reporters complained about no news coming from the cabinet meetings. Now that these sessions produce open press conferences and dozens of stories, the same reporters are complaining. They're

saying, 'Why doesn't the Cabinet have some dignity and go back to secrecy?'

"The other day, when reporters were called into the National Security Council, it was the last straw. Merriman Smith muttered, 'There's only one thing left — open house at CIA.'

"There are a lot of people who think we work too hard at the White House. But we have to — to get the job done before sunset. After all, we'd rather curse the darkness than light one candle.

"I came to talk about the Poverty Program, But I almost didn't. When I was asked to speak, Miriam Ottenberg wanted to know the subject. I consulted some of my friends at the White House on a speech title. They had a great variety of topics. Jack Valenti suggested: 'War and Pizza.' McGeorge Bundy suggested, 'Let Saigons Be Saigons.'

"Orville Freeman offered this subject: 'Eggs Laid By Newshens.' Stew Udall suggested, 'Junkyards and the Feminine Mystique.' Other suggestions included: 'Death Is Nature's Way Of Telling Us To Slow Down.' 'How To Give Mouth To Mouth Resuscitation Without Becoming Emotionally Involved,' and 'What To Do In Case Of Peace.'

"When the President heard I was speaking to editors, he suggested: 'Take your text from Isaiah. 'Let us reason together.' (How's that for a ghost writer?)

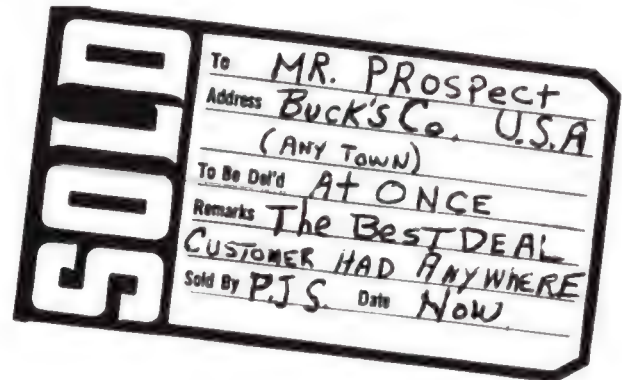
"George Reedy summed it up with this title: 'No News Is Good News.' George is an ideal Press Secretary for the President. He has too much political experience to run for cover and too little to run for the Senate.

"....I would like to say that being Press Secretary to a busy First Lady with two lively daughters and two lively dogs, with four lively ears, requires many attributes that are hardly needed by anyone who is Press Secretary to a mere president.

"I don't have to worry about Viet Nam or De Gaulle. I'm in charge of women, dogs and old brocades. In fact, someone asked me the other day, 'What do you think about the Civil Rights Bill?' I told them, 'I don't know, but if we owe it we ought to pay it.'

"Quite apart from the national issues, the public is interested in many lesser things at the White House — like White House animals. Pierre Salinger claimed that the most unreasonable question he ever received was when he was called at 3:00 A. M. and asked to confirm whether Caroline's hamster was ill.

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Tom Paxton, internationally known folk singer, who will be featured at the Folk Festival scheduled for February 19th at North Penn High School in Lansdale.

Sponsored by the Junior Women's Club of Lansdale, the entertainment will also feature "The Pennywhistlers," "The Uncalled Jug Four," and Tossi Aaron.

Proceeds from the entertainment will be divided equally between the WRENS Nursery for the Retarded and the North Penn Day Care Center.

Tickets, which are available at the Doylestown Inn and Kenny's News Agency, are only \$2.00.

LADY BIRD'S RIGHT WING

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"I can match him. We don't have hamsters, but the beagle, Him, and the white collie, Blanco, get their share of attention. A verbatim exchange on the subject of Blanco, the collie, came one day from Mary Pakenham, a reporter for the Chicago Tribune, at my press briefing.

'How did the First Family acquire Blanco?'

He was a gift from a little girl in Illinois.

'Is he an Illinois dog?'

That's right.

'Is he a Chicago dog?'

No, he's a Northwestern Illinois dog.

'Where does he live?'

In The White House doghouse.

'Is he happy?'

Yes.

'How do you know?'

Because I'm there most of the time.

"Mary later asked me for a personal interview with Blanco explaining, 'The Chicago Tribune is just crazy

about dog stories.' I granted it because Democrats have such a hard time getting a good press in the Tribune that I thought we might through a yaller-dog Democrat.

"But all days are not dog days at the White House. Our big endeavor and the one which excites me the most is the War On Poverty. It is, I believe, the great human experiment and the most exciting story underway in this country — taking human material that is potential waste, and in a limited amount of time and with a limited amount of money, transforming it into usefulness.

"It is rather satisfying to know that in this country we have reached the point where we will no longer settle for the dole, but attack its cause. It must be rather dreadful to be a child — or now a grandchild of the dole. It is also impractical for the taxpayer.

"The War On Poverty is not going to be won in Washington, but in a thousand local battles in your towns. It is not a story of statistics, but of human beings. It is taking 17 and 18 year old boys and girls, who are out of school and out of work and into trouble, off your streets and trying at Job Corps Camps to give them a skill they can exchange for a paycheck. It is finding 5 year olds — neglected, forgotten children of poverty — doomed to be lost in the first grade, and this summer trying to get them set for school.

"It is half a dozen other programs — all aimed to make that 20% poverty figure shrink.

"These are the special challenges to the writer, perhaps especially the woman writer who has a talent for translating the compassionate story behind the statistic.

"And, we are only beginning.

"I remember the words of Emerson: 'We think our civilization is near its meridian, but we are only at the cockerowing and the morning star.'

"And no matter what side of the pad and pencil I am on, I readily confess an overwhelming pride that in the White House are a man and woman who are willing to reach for the star.

"I'm glad they asked me along for the ride."

A visit to the White House — conversation with the President and First Lady — are most exciting events, but a talk with Elizabeth Carpenter is about as rewarding as anything I've ever done.

She, Ladies and Gentlemen, is a real down to earth swinger!



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December 31, 1964

RESOURCES

Cash and Due from Banks.....	\$ 2,969,375.08
U. S. Government Securities	6,949,553.31
Bonds and Investments	3,789,440.96
Banking House and Fixtures.....	526,697.36
Loans and Discounts.....	13,979,357.48
Other Assets	7,953.50

\$28,222,377.69

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 420,000.00
Surplus.....	1,200,000.00
Undivided Profits	487,549.18
Reserves	73,489.53
Deposits	25,756,126.39
Other Liabilities	285,212.59

\$28,222,377.69

Dividends Paid

Since Organization \$ 2,637,676.90

REPORT OF THE
TRUST DEPARTMENT

DECEMBER 31, 1964

Individual Trust Funds.....	\$ 8,604,783.01
Corporate Trust Funds	\$54,571,470.01

TRUST FUNDS
KEPT SEPARATE AND APART FROM
ASSETS OF THE BANK

Statement of condition at close of business
December 31, 1965

RESOURCES

Cash and Due from Banks.....	\$ 3,071,838.88
U. S. Government Securities	5,367,265.56
Bonds and Investments	4,485,823.74
Banking House and Fixtures.....	712,296.62
Loans and Discounts.....	16,141,461.00
Other Assets	18,147.37

\$29,796,833.17

LIABILITIES

Capital	\$ 428,400.00
Surplus.....	1,235,935.20
Undivided Profits	610,265.02
Reserves	169,829.44
Deposits	27,111,866.48
Other Liabilities	240,537.03

\$29,796,833.17

Dividends Paid

Since Organization \$ 2,731,084.90

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Corporate Trust Funds	\$45,695,271.91

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ASSETS

First Mortgage Loans.....	\$15,293,444.77
Loans on Savings Accounts.....	63,725.54
Real Estate Owned	8,681.22
Investments and Securities	1,288,663.69
Cash on Hand and in Banks	475,352.04
Office Building and Equipment (less depreciation)	480,062.23
Deferred Charges and Other Assets.....	156,658.92

\$17,766,588.41

LIABILITIES

Savings Capital	\$15,608,378.73
Advances from F. H. L. Bank.....	500,000.00
Borrowed Money.....	250,000.00
Loans in Process.....	198,069.66
Other Liabilities	28,510.48
Specific Reserves.....	3,275.19

General Reserves 1,021,521.83

Surplus 156,832.52 1,178,354.35

\$17,766,588.41



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Rambling with Russ

by

A. Russell Thomas

FEBRUARY DATES To Remember: Keep an eye on that ground hog (Feb. 2); Pay respects to Honest Abe and don't forget the 131st annual dinner meeting of the Union Horse Company for the Apprehension of Horse Thieves and Other Villains and the public hanging at high noon in Doylestown (Feb. 12); Show your Valentine how much you care (Feb. 14); It's George Washington's day (Feb. 22)....The birthstone for February is the amethyst, the meaning of the month is sincerity and the flower is the violet.

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FEBRUARY, 35 Years Ago: The Rocky Ridge Hotel near Quakertown was raided by State Police headed by Cpl. William Francis and Bucks County Detective Tony Russo, resulting in the seizure of two half-barrels of high-powered beer and five gallons of wine....A large barn in the rear of the Warrington Inn was destroyed by fire....The late Judge Calvin S. Boyer sentenced two Bristol youths to 7 to 14 years in the State Penitentiary for robbing the gas station of Arthur Saporita.

A Bensalem Township farm hand admitted in Bucks County Court that he set fire to two barns in lower Bucks County so that he could be with his sweetheart to watch the fires....The mother of the girl objected to her daughter going out at night with the accused arsonist unless "something unusual" happened and it did.... The loss was \$24,000 and the case was investigated by State Trooper Harry Christ of Morrisville.

Five well-dressed men who traveled in an expensive sedan held up the Pot Luck Tea Room on North Main street, Doylestown, stole 75 cents from a cook, less than a dollar from the cash register, a few pieces of jewelry and a dress suit....Doylestown Kiwanians staged a "family party" and burlesqued their Minstrel Monarchs show at the Fountain House, at which time the show business manager, J. Allen Gardy, reported that \$680.10 had been cleared for the club's underprivileged child fund.... Building in Doylestown in 1930 amounted to \$320,000

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with most of it confined to the new Clymer's Department Store and a new mortuary for the late George R. Leattor.... At a coroner's inquest in Yardley, the late Dr. John J. Sweeney held Charles Haney, 26, of Yardley, responsible for the murder of his wife on the night of October 11, 1930.... Stricken with a heart attack at his home in Doylestown, Samuel W. Horoner, 77, who served six years as a tipstaff in the Bucks County Court House, and 45 years on the railroad, died.

The Bucks County housekeeping bill for 1930 amounted to \$701,469.36 and the year was closed out with a balance in the treasury of \$115,250.87.

(NOTE: The Bucks County budget this year will be between \$7-million and \$8-million, not counting the Institutional budget. The balance in the treasury starting off January's operations was estimated at over \$500,000 as this column was being written. It was also predicted by the county's budget director that county expenses will double and triple within the next 10 years.)

Edward Gamils, 45, proprietor of the Blue Spruce Inn, Trevese, was murdered by three armed bandits on the morning of February 14.... Three arrests followed and confessions were obtained.... As a warning to others who might seek Bucks County as a place to burn barns and houses, the late President Judge Hiram H. Keller, sentenced a defendant to 20 to 40 years in the Eastern State Penitentiary.... The Bucks County tax rate was reduced to 4 1/2 mills, due to efficient county operation.... Sterling Johnson, well known as "Chicken" Johnson, Buckingham Valley farmer, was returned to the Eastern State Penitentiary. Bucks County Judge Keller indicated that this was Johnson's fourth offense for chicken stealing. After sentencing the accused to another 6 1/2 to 12 years, the court told Johnson that if he returned to the "pen" it would be for life.

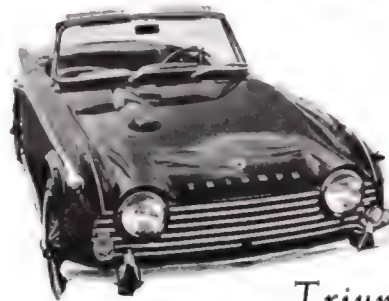
With Millard Robinson, center, scoring 14 points, Doylestown High lost to Coatesville High, 28 to 25 on the Armory basketball court.... Other Doylestown players were Slaughter and Sulak, forwards; Campbell, Seitz and Martin, guards; VanLuvane, forward.

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MY WORLD War I Diary shows that on February 19, 1919, this reporter stood review by General Pershing, together with 8,000 Air Service troops on Liberty Field in France, shortly before being transferred to the staff of the original "Stars and Stripes" newspaper in Paris.

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**COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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WASHINGTON CROSSING PARK COMMISSION
WASHINGTON CROSSING, PENNSYLVANIA**

Dear Mr. Kulp:

I found the article on "The Battle of Trenton" by Charles J. Peterson, first published in 1849 and reprinted in the December 1965 issue, interesting. However, I must question your statement that "it seems to bring to light some all-but-forgotten facts about those history-making days."

All of the known facts concerning these days have been brought to light by the definitive Washington biographer Douglas Southall Freeman. A study of his coverage of this period as well as my own works in this connection will reveal that Mr. Peterson's readable

article contains a sufficient number of inaccurate statements to make one question its correctness on many other moot questions.

While I have not had time to study the work carefully, a quick reading reveals such inaccuracies as his date for the defeat of the Americans on Long Island, given as August 28th when it was, in fact, August 27th; the statement at the bottom of column 1, page 5, "From the moment he had crossed the Delaware, he had been revolving in his mind a plan....", there is evidence that Washington had this plan in mind for days before he crossed the Delaware on December 8th; through inaccuracies in number of field pieces; in number of casualties, etc. on both sides during the battle. For example, the statement on page 20 that two of the Americans fell in the march and lost their lives. It has been authoritatively established that not one American lost his life in this engagement.

In view of the numerous discrepancies, the statement that the decisive council of war was held at the house of General Knox is certainly subject to question. There is no documentary evidence whatsoever to support such a conclusion. It has consistently been our position that councils of war were probably held at a number of the houses occupied by officers before the crossing.

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STATEMENT OF CONDITION

The Solebury National Bank

New Hope, Pennsylvania

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 31, 1963	DEC. 31, 1964	DEC. 31, 1965
RESOURCES		
Cash and Due from Banks	918,673.56	1,021,673.89
U. S. Government Securities	3,107,423.36	2,234,773.13
Other Bonds and Securities	390,180.58	1,118,373.66
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	16,550.00	19,300.00
Loans and Discounts	3,579,588.46	4,297,355.60
Banking House and Fixtures	32,319.95	82,029.16
Other Assets	7,206.81	6,869.19
TOTAL ASSETS	8,051,942.72	8,780,374.63
LIABILITIES		
Capital Stock	168,300.00	168,300.00
Surplus	400,000.00	450,000.00
Undivided Profits	104,267.95	116,804.56
Reserves	7,000.00	25,000.00
Demand Deposits	2,796,351.72	3,124,978.09
Savings Deposits	4,576,023.05	4,895,291.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES	8,051,942.72	9,799,720.49

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We note that you quote William W. H. Davis' excellent *History of Bucks County*, but we have good reason to question the accuracy of his placement of the council of decision unequivocally in the Merrick House. In this connection I am enclosing quotations from copies of correspondence with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, Dr. Thayer of Rutgers University and myself.

I am happy to say that Dr. S. K. Stevens, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, relied upon my material in reference to his statements about the Thompson-Neely House in the recent definitive work *Pennsylvania Birthplace of a Nation*.

In the interest of historical accuracy, I thought you might care to see the accompanying material.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,
Ann Hawkes Hutton
Chairman

(Ed's Note: — We appreciate Mrs. Hutton's letter and the fact that she took time from her busy schedule to read the article on *The Battle of Trenton* and comment upon it. It should be clearly understood, however, that the responsibility for reprinting the article is entirely that of the Editor in whose library it was found, and, although Mr. Kulp saw it before it was published, he was in no way responsible for its appearance in *Panorama*.

Unfortunately space limitations in this issue prevented our publishing the accompanying material Mrs. Hutton's letter mentions. We have, however, had all her notes set in type and hope to publish them in a future issue along with some other well-documented notes of interest.)

Dear Mrs. Stuckert:

.....Just this morning I received the December issue.....It is a handsome Christmas issue and you are to be congratulated on the changes you have already made with the magazine.....

Sincerely,
William Keyes
Newtown, Pa.

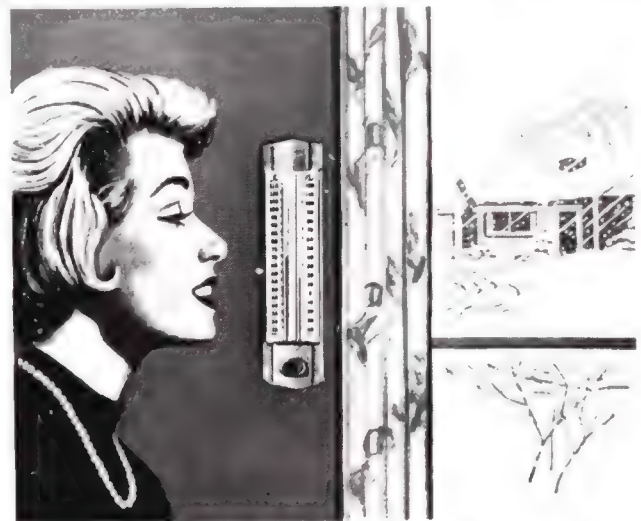
"....I am writing to you in regards to the Bucks Co. Panorama I enjoy it so much as I spent my girlhood mostly in New Hope my home was in S'ville but my best friends were in New Hope how I love that place I sure read them over and over...."

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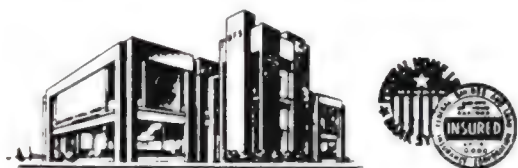
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BUCKS COUNTY SETTLER

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dress. Buckskin was a favorite for men and boys. Its enduring qualities made it suitable for both breeches and jackets. Oznabrigs made of hemp tow was used for boys' shirts. Flax, and flax and tow, made trousers. Woolen hats, linsey jackets and leather aprons constituted winter apparel for men of the laboring class until around 1750.

To rebel against these materials and choose a suit of finery instead, one required the same amount of money as was needed to purchase 200 acres of good land.

For those generations of land keepers behind us, schooling was scarce and usually of poor quality. A badly lighted log cabin was the building available to the young Americans. More often than not the teacher would be an ill-prepared person, scarcely able to master more than the primer himself. The severity of punishments was seldom questioned by parents. But not all the students were submissive to the whippings and ferulings. Many a young boy felt that if he could do a man's work in the fields, he could not tolerate the confinement of the one room school, nor the corrective measure taken by the schoolmaster.

What usually followed the first whack by the schoolmaster to a young belligerent was a return blow by the youthful farmer. Unevenly matched — for had the student not spent his spring, summer, and fall exerting his muscles to the utmost — the schoolmaster recuperated, and the young man decided he needed no more learning.

In time the land changed. Villages sprang up and populous districts replaced the long meadows. War struck the land, and paradoxically, cash became more plentiful because of governments purchasing supplies for troops. Foreign goods came in.

Bohea tea, coffee, calicos, half silks, and neckhandkerchiefs were available. Men began to wear jackets and breeches of Bengal, Nankeen, fustian and cotton velvet. True, they usually hung on a peg on a cabin wall, but they could be purchased. Women of style in the Buckingham area wore silk gowns pleated in back, with sleeves twice as large as the arm. Usually only a long black hood without a bonnet needed to be added to make the finery usable for a wedding gown.

Sometimes the jackets and breeches of Bengal and Nankeen hung from their pegs for years before being taken down and worn again. Sometimes the owner never returned from the war, and in time the clothing was used by a young son, grown older and assuming the keeping of the fields.

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BOOKS IN REVIEW

EARLY TAVERNS OF BUCKS COUNTY by Willis M. Rivinus. New Hope, Pa., 1965. Paper, 85 pages. \$1.50.

In the early days of our nation, the taverns played a particularly significant part. They combined the functions of bus terminal, TV set, freight yard, employment agency, social club, political rally, court of law, and, occasionally, hospital and funeral home. Almost incidentally, they performed the functions of a bar and restaurant. The early taverns were comparatively small, too, and located at close intervals. Since the history of each is largely a function of the roads along which they were located, this description of the early taverns of Bucks County classifies them by the major roads: The *King's Road* (Bristol Turnpike), Durham Road, Easton Road, Bethlehem Pike, the Canal, and includes chapters on the County Seat, as well as an appendix on Philadelphia inns. A tremendous amount of worthwhile data as well as interesting trivia is included. The historical notes are written with competence from what must be a wide background knowledge of American history.

THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF FURNITURE by Joseph Aronson. Crown Publishers, New York. Third Edition. 484 pages. \$7.95.

Since 1938 the predecessors of this volume have enjoyed the respect of experts in the field of furniture design. But one need not be an expert to enjoy lovely things, and, since this book is filled with 2,000 illustrations of lovely pieces, it is a bargain for the amateur as well as an essential reference source for the professional. From *abacus* (the top of a column) to

Zucci (an Italian painter) the term encyclopedia seems justified. We did find it a bit confusing to use. For example, there are two pages devoted to the entry *Empire*. There are some American examples at this point, but the cross references do not send us back to two more pages on *American Empire*. We had similar difficulty adjusting to the practice of listing entries under adjectives or adverbs, e.g., *Early Christian*, *Easy Chair*, *Mixing Table*. We can understand the logic of a listing such as *Dry Sink*, but wonder what lexicographical quirk demands *Phyfe*, *Duncan*, while *Philippine Mahogany* and *Pennsylvania Dutch* run straight. This might make the book awkward for professionals. But we are sure that they as well as interested bystanders like ourselves will leaf through the whole book and soon catch on. The illustrations are excellent and show not only fabulous museum pieces, but examples which, in original or reproduction, might grace our homes. The book is most reasonably priced and of excellent overall quality.

A BOOK OF COUNTRY THINGS told by Walter Needham, recorded by Barrows Mussey. Brattleboro, Vt. The Stephen Greene Press. 166 pages. \$4.50.

Twenty years ago Barrows Mussey recorded stories an elderly neighbor told him of his grandfather. Since Vermont is the next to the youngest New England state, life there 120 years ago was probably very much as it was in Connecticut before the Revolution. "Grandpa" was born in a log cabin in 1833. He lived at the time when everything grew

in the woods. In his young days "he hardly bought anything except maybe from the blacksmith shop." The stories he told — of his experiences in the Civil War, of his life on the farm, of his black and white honesty — all have the ring of authenticity, with a distinctly Colonial flavor.

"To Grandpa, the candle-mold was a modern labor-saving device! He would yell and roar at cantankerous livestock, or his family if they didn't do quite what he wanted, but when something really happened, like lightning smashing the clock, he'd remark 'Ain't that a hell of a note!' and go cut down a tree to fix it with."

Chief "message" of the book is that we are not as far removed from the self-reliance and self-sufficiency of the farm as we are wont to think. Perhaps we should now record some conversations with Grandpa to tell the next few generations how primitive we were in the early days of the space age — and how utterly dependent we were on electricity and transportation and the mass media!

THE SOURCE by James A. Michener (Random House, \$7.95).

We suspect that many people like ourselves decided that *The Source* was one of those books we simply must read — but who then put it off in hopes that we could find time for it later on. Our excuse was that Random House hadn't sent us a review copy. Of course they could hardly be expected to do so since we specialize in past Americana in general, and in principles and practices of modern American cul-

ture, in particular and, of course, in the past, present, and future developments of Delaware Valley and our own Bucks County. But James Michener is one of our most widely-known and respected residents. And our interest in historical and archeological research, especially in the Holy Land, was not completely satisfied by three years of graduate work in allied areas a generation ago. So, when we found a copy available at the Melinda Cox Free Library in Doylestown, we set to work.

The Source is a novel with a whole people and nation as its characters. For a framework, there is the story of a group of modern archeologists engaged in a digging in Palestine. As they uncover, level by level, the artifacts and building outlines of the past, chapters in the basic novel unfold. These tell of the cave-man first settling above ground, of the nomad become farmer, of the farmer become city-dweller. Through it all runs the development of the religious and cultural history of the Jewish people, told with sensitivity and perception. We must confess that at first we found the literary device of one story intertwined with another of a completely different era a bit irritating. We felt that we would have preferred to read one story or the other but that neither one was satisfactory in intermittent gulps. However as we went along, the purpose became clearer as each story began to illuminate the plot and purpose of the other.

We found the book truly magnificent. But with one emphasis we took serious exception. Mr. Michener seemed to be saying that

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must carry objects downstairs, carry them so they do not obstruct your vision, reminds Miss Vannoy. Never carry heavy loads; it is better to make two trips.

When you would like to sit on the window-sill to wash the outside window glass, think twice and do not do it. Instead, try a long-handled sponge mop and stand firmly on the ground outside or use a sturdy and safe stepladder.

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Snow, Beautiful Snow



February, as everybody knows, is 'Heart Month.' We urge everyone to read the following article reprinted from the Heart-Gram (a quarterly publication by the Heart Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania) and to support the Heart Fund Campaign.

Deceptively innocent looking, like the legendary Lorelei, snow goes on luring men to their doom, season after season.

The occasional devastating avalanche is the most dramatic manifestation of snow's power to do harm. But even more insidious may be its fluffy white blankets and drifts, lying beautifully passive where they fell on your driveway and walks. Just asking to be shoveled away.

And the middle-aged sedentary American householder, bestirring himself from his cozy hearth to heft his trusty shovel and have a go at the stuff, may be asking for trouble.

Because each season a heavy snowfall is followed by flurries of heart attack deaths due to over-exertion, the Minnesota Heart Association's Work Evaluation Unit conducted a three-minute test of the effects of snow shoveling on the heart. Eleven volunteers, ranging in age from 45 to 75, were cleared for the test after preliminary heart examinations. Five of the eleven had recovered from mild heart attacks.

The subjects attacked a thick bank of snow one cold morning — the thermometer registered 14 degrees below zero — with electrodes taped to their chests and connected to tiny radio transmitters in their belts. The strain on their hearts was recorded by an electrocardiograph machine in a nearby building monitored by a group of physicians. Two of the volunteers had to be stopped after one minute because the ECG showed their hearts were not getting enough oxygen.

For men in this age group HASP advises:

* If you have heart disease, don't shovel snow without your doctor's approval.

* If you are over 40 and healthy, you may shovel, but take it easy. Snow-shoveling is strenuous exercise, and can kick back at the heart of a person who is unaccustomed to regular physical activity. Cold weather intensifies the strain on the heart.

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nary? And if so, why? We did not get the message — if any!

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If you live in Bedminster, Bridgeton, Nockamixon, Plumstead or Tinicum, you will probably enjoy *Country Neighbor*. Put out by E. Nemethy from Box 72 in Point Pleasant, Pa., it represents a new low in journalism — pricewise, that is! Selling for 5 cents per copy, it costs \$2.50 per year. You can learn facts about your area which no one else has yet uncovered, including some which some of the larger journals apparently don't think worthy of comment, but which vitally concern local residents. *Panorama* wishes *Country Neighbor* good luck!

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Since we knew instantly what the book must be about when we read the title, we had to read the book, *Up the Down Staircase*, by Bel Kaufman (Prentice Hall \$4.95). Our parents were teachers in the New York City school system. To avoid confusion — and really, it's the ONLY way! — most of the larger schools have,

in the same stair well, an intricately intertwined, yet glass-separated pair of staircases. From any point on any floor you may take either an UP or a DOWN staircase, and woe betide you if you should take the wrong path. Apart from the serious infraction of REGULATIONS there is the automatic death penalty if you should happen to be going up the down staircase at dismissal time. The thundering herd would trample you to death.

Both of them worked — literally day and night, for my father taught English "to foreigners" at night school as well — in order to save me from the fate of having to attend school there. However they relented for a year or so to give me "the experience."

While not screamingly funny, it is pathetic humor at its best, with a dash of tragedy thrown in for good measure. By now all the teachers in New York have probably read it. And those of their pupils — present or past — at least those who can read — will probably do so soon. They will all cry nostalgic tears as it brings back memories of P. S. 44, Bronx, or wherever. And that night they will have a nightmare like those of their childhood when they dreamed of being caught while going up the down staircase.

SNOW BEAUTIFUL SNOW

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* It's better to shovel before eating or wait an hour after eating, as you should for most vigorous exercise. And don't smoke while working; tobacco causes constriction of the blood vessels, just as cold air does. The combination can be dangerous.

* Never shovel to the point of exhaustion. Don't let the invigorating air or a warming shot of whiskey fool you.

* Dress warmly in loose, comfortable heavy clothing, muffling ears and throat, keeping hands and feet dry.

* When you shovel, lift with your entire body (each shovelful of dry snow weighs four pounds plus the weight of the shovel; wet snow is much heavier). Let your back and leg muscles take some of the strain off your arms.

* If you become breathless, rest until breathing is easy. If you feel a tightness in the chest, quit.

* Last, and probably the best word of advice: hire the neighbor's boy to do the job for you.

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RAMBLING WITH RUSS

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We sincerely sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. John Corcoran, owners of the historic Water Wheel Tavern near Doylestown, which was very badly damaged by fire in January....The tavern was one of Bucks County's finest eating places with historic atmosphere dating back to 1714. It is the earnest hope of everyone that we will see the famous inn restored and in operation as soon as possible.

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My Aching Back: Did you know that it takes 3,500 lbs. of grain, 5,200 lbs. of hay, 7,700 lbs. of silage, and 61,200 lbs. of water to feed a typical cow producing 10,500 lbs. of milk per year? I didn't until I was informed by a farmer-friend of mine who is now a County Commissioner. This really points out the need for machines to replace muscle in a dairy operation.

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GET THE POINT?

While wading in the history of the heretofore, we discovered that a punctual fellow named Thrasymachus supposedly invented the full point (period) in the Third Century, B. C. Before that, everybody just kept writing until they had finished. Vividly emphasizing the peculiar importance of a properly placed period, Thrasymachus was said to have tossed out this classic illustration: "Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives. Half the world doesn't know how. The other half lives."

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BUCKS COUNTY SETTLER (continued from page 22)

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BOOKS IN REVIEW (continued from page 23)

Christians deny rather than respect their Jewish antecedents and heritage. Certainly it has been most unfortunate that a great many Christians have been guilty of this. But generalizations are always suspect, even when engaged in for literary or polemic effect. There are many Christians who would not and could not be fitted into the type-casting mold of Jewish antagonism or rejection. Perhaps a competent Jewish reviewer might make simi-

lar criticism of the way in which Michener characterizes their people and delineates their history. As for us we found the book most stimulating and helpful in seeing the overall picture of the sweep of history through the ages not as a collection of dates but as a series of successive frames embracing real human beings, accomplishing extraordinary progress while thinking of themselves as very ordinary indeed.



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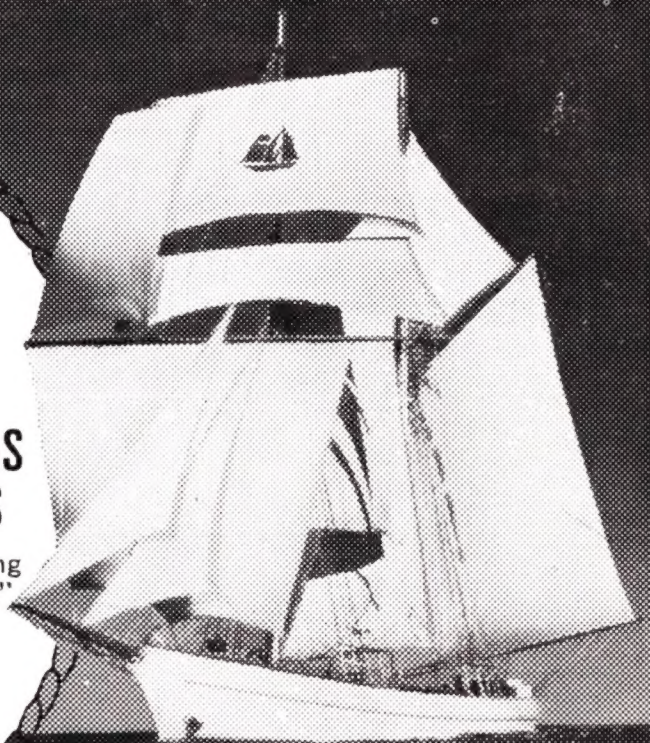
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CENTRAL BUCKS YMCA

Last fall interested citizens of Central Bucks met to determine the need for and feasibility of a YMCA to serve the area. The need proved obvious and those attending the meeting illustrated the feasibility by their

interest and enthusiasm which has resulted in the appointment of a Board of Directors by the State YMCA of Pennsylvania.

Since that first meeting progress has been made in many directions; namely the evaluation of existing facilities in the area which will permit the implementation as soon as possible of programs now under consideration . . . Formulation of plans for membership and building fund drives . . . Appraisal of land for purchase for future building . . . Architect's drawings, etc.

An operating budget for 1966 has been established and just recently the Bucks County Commissioners expressed their confidence in the Board of Directors by presenting them with a check for \$2,000.

The Central Bucks YMCA will seek to involve youth and adults of all races and all segments of community life in its programs, membership, and leadership.

The work of the YMCA will be carried out under the direction of volunteers who serve as members of the boards and committees, activity leaders or group officers, and under the leadership and supervision of professionally trained secretaries and associates.

The State YMCA of Pennsylvania has been most cooperative and helpful through its district representative, Wilbur Porter.

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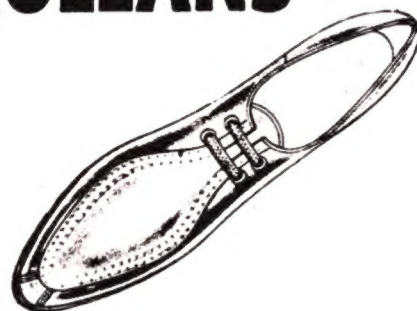
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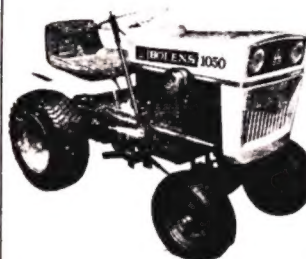
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DOYLESTOWN BI-LEVEL

Lower level has recreation room with fireplace, den (or bedroom), powder room and large workshop. Upper level contains living room, dining el, modern kitchen, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths. \$22,500.

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SECLUDED SETTING

Pointed stone and frame house completely remodeled with new utility and old charm, 17x30 living room with two fireplaces, 20x24 kitchen with dining area, powder room. Second floor has 4 bedrooms and 2 baths. Natural open beams, random width floors, fully insulated, storm doors, sash and screens. Stone terrace, pointed stone barn, 10 acres mostly wooded with active stream. North of Doylestown. Excellent value at \$49,500.

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PROTECTION

A lovely custom-built stone and frame split level home surrounded by 10 protective acres of woodland a short distance north of Doylestown. 1st floor contains L/R, D/R, ultra mod. kitchen, breakfast area, 3 spacious B/Rs and 2 tile baths. Lower level contains lovely family room w/fpl, 4th B/R, bath & screened porch. Very attractive property convenient to everything, offered at \$39,500.

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